

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE HONORABLE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re the Application of James G. Shanahan et al.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION MAILED 04/25/2008

In response to the Office Communication mailed April 25, 2008 of a Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief, citing 37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(v), Appellants are submitting a Replacement Appeal Brief.

The Replacement Brief incorporates the Examiner's suggestion that Appellants use the formatting of each independent claim in the Summary of Claimed Subject Matter so that the summary is more easily read and the mapping is more clearly defined. The Examiner also suggests that Appellant include explanations that make plain or understandable the subject matter defined in each of the appealed independent claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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